

June 26, 2026

Debra Savage
Chair
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

Dear Chair Savage:

I am an internist with privileges at multiple hospitals throughout the Chicagoland area and extensive experience caring for medically complex patients in long-term acute care hospitals. A significant portion of my practice involves managing patients who require prolonged hospitalization, ventilator weaning, complex wound care, infectious disease management, and multidisciplinary rehabilitation following critical illness.

I am writing in support of the proposed establishment of Sycamore Specialty Hospital, a long-term acute care hospital to be located at 225 Edward Street in Sycamore, Illinois. Restoring the former Kindred Hospital Sycamore as a dual-service hospital offering both long-term acute care and inpatient rehabilitation services would address an important gap in the continuum of care for patients throughout Northern Illinois.

Throughout my years of practice, I have seen firsthand the challenges that arise when patients requiring LTACH-level care must be transferred long distances because appropriate services are unavailable locally. These delays can prolong acute hospital stays, complicate discharge planning, increase healthcare costs, and place unnecessary burdens on patients and their families. The availability of an LTACH in Sycamore would provide physicians with an important option for patients who require extended hospital-level care while allowing many of them to remain closer to their homes and support systems.

Based on my experience caring for patients in both acute care hospitals and long-term acute care settings, I believe there is a clear need for this facility. I anticipate that Sycamore Specialty Hospital would become an important resource for physicians managing medically complex patients who would benefit from specialized long-term acute care and comprehensive rehabilitation services.

The information in this letter is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I fully support the establishment of Sycamore Specialty Hospital.

Sincerely,



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